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THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY THE FEDERAL CHANCELLOR

Bonn, April 14, 1962

My dear Mr. President:

Up to now the repeated attempts to open negotiations with the Soviet Union on Berlin have failed. The latest proposals of the Department of State comprise decisive elements concerning not only Berlin but also the German question, which exceed all previous offers made to the Soviet Union. I have considerable objections against some of these proposals and I would urgently request you, my dear Mr. President, to consider interrupting, for the time being, the negotiations and using this time to reexamine all problems concerning Berlin in common with the three powers.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely, (sgd.) Adenauer